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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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- 9A - 9A66AA is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA will be using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. [TNX 9A2AA]
- D4 - Harald, DF2WO will be active again as D44TWO from Sao Tiago (AF-005), Cape Verde on 3-21 January. He will operate FT8 with some SSB and CW on 160-6 metres, and via the QO-100 satellite. QSL via MOOXO's OQRS.
- DL - Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special call-sign DB100RDF will be in use from 1 January to 31 December. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923.
- EA - Special callsign EG1NMP will be active on 7-10 January in remembrance of the wreck of the "Monte Palomares" (10 January 1966). QSL only via LoTW and eQSL. The Spanish freighter sank in the North Atlantic, and only six of her 38 crew were rescued. One of those survivors was the ship's electrician Manuel Gonzalez, VK3DRQ, whose first-hand account of that tragic sinking can be found on <https://maritimeradio.org/in-distress/1966-monte-palomares/>.
- FW - Darren, VK4MAP will be active holiday style as FW/VK4MAP from Wallis & Futuna in late December until "the first half of January". He will operate SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL direct to home call. [TNX DX World]
- GM - Special event station GB2KW will be active again on 1-28 January from near Inverness, Scotland using vintage equipment manufactured by KW Electronics Ltd during the 1960s and 1970s. QSL via LoTW. Also active from England, especially over the "KW Weekend" (7-8 January), are expected to be GB0KWD, GB4KW, GB5KW and GB8KW.
- KP4 - Manuel, WP4TZ will be operating portable from Isla de Vieques (NA-249), Puerto Rico from 29 December to 3 January. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. [TNX DX World]
- LA - LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign will be in use from 1 January until 31 December. QSL via the bureau, or direct.
- LZ - Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: LZ319TS (January and February), LZ522ME (March and April), LZ78KA (May and June), LZ1015RW (July and August), LZ288MS (September and October), and LZ600PA (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>.
- OE - OE40XTU is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club

at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary during 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024.

- ON - OQ95RCL is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR.
- PJ4 - Jeff, WA2BOT, who has been QRV as PJ4/WA2BOT from Bonaire since 20 December, will be using PJ4JP during the RTTY Roundup. The contest will start at 18 UTC on 7 January, and will end at 23.59 UTC on 8 January, see <https://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup> for the rules. QSL both callsigns via LoTW only.
- SM - 8S80AA is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on <https://www.sk5aa.se/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG.
- VK - VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau).
- VP2M - Thaire, W2APF will be active again as VP2MDX from Montserrat (NA-103) from 3 January to 28 March. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via W2APF. [TNX The Daily DX]
- VU - Special event station AT18BSG will be activated on 1-15 January for The 18th National Jamboree of Bharat Scouts and Guides to be held in Pali, Rajashthan. QSL via VU2NRO.
- VU - Once again the West Bengal Radio Club (VU2WB) will provide assistance during the Ganga Sagar Mela on Sagar Island (AS-153). This is the annual gathering of Hindu pilgrims to take a holy dip in the Ganges, where the river merges with the Bay of Bengal. Expect some activity on the HF bands as AT2WBRC on 5-17 January. [TNX The Daily DX]
- W - The Straight Key Century Club's annual on-air event, commemorating the club's founding in 2006 and celebrating the original instruments of early radiotelegraphy (straight key, bug and cootie keys), will run on 2-31 January. Look for K3Y to be aired from the ten US call areas (K3Y/0 through K3Y/9), plus /KH6, /KL7 and /KP4. Information about the event and QSLing instructions can be found on <https://skccgroup.com/k3y/k3y.php>.

WRTC 2023 AWARD ---> Promoting the World Radiosport Team Championship to be held in July in conjunction with the IARU HF World Championship, several special callsigns will be activated between 1 and 31 January on the five classic bands (80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres) CW and SSB: 4X22WRTC (Israel); 8B0RARI (Indonesia); 8N1WRTC (Japan); 9A22WRTC (Croatia); 9M6WRTC (Malaysia); BY1CRA/WRTC (China); CQ7WRTC (Portugal); DA22WRTC (Germany); E2WRTC (Thailand); EF2WRTC (Spain); EF8WRTC (Canary Islands); GB2WC (United Kingdom); HZ1WRTC (Saudi Arabia); II0WRTC, II1WRTC, II2WRTC, II3WRTC, II4WRTC, II5WRTC, II4WRTC, II7WRTC, II8WRTC, II9WRTC, IO1WRTC, IO8WRTC and IR1WRTC (Italy); IO0WRTC (Sardinia); K4W (Puerto Rico); LZ0WRTC (Bulgaria); N0W, N1W, N4W, N5W, N6W, N7W and N9W (USA); OM22WRTC (Slovak Republic); PY5WRTC and ZV7W (Brazil); SP0WRTC (Poland); SX0WRTC (Greece); TM2WRTC and TM3WRTC (France); UP7WRTC (Kazakhstan); VE2WRTC (Canada); W6W (Hawaii); YL4WRTC (Latvia); ZL6WRTC (New Zealand). A number of certificates will be

available after the end of the event; see <https://www.wrtc2022.it/award> for the rules.

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2023 IOTA HONOUR ROLL & ANNUAL LISTINGS ---> The last date for submitting applications or score updates to checkpoints for inclusion in the 2023 Honour Roll and Annual Listings is 31 January 2023. If submitted after that date, they will be processed in the normal way, but the scores will be held over to the following year's listing. Where packages with cards are involved, these need to be posted/dated before 31 January. Participants who have not updated since the 2018 annual listings and wish to remain listed should make a submission on or before 31 January 2023. Those who have not logged into their record for more than two years, will need to revalidate their registration through info@iota-world.org. Do not leave it to the last moment as you may run out of time. [TNX G3KMA]

CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2023 edition will start at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. Complete details can be found at <https://www.dxmarathon.com/>

FT8WW ---> Thierry, F6CUK has been QRV as FT8WW from Ile de la Possession, Crozet Islands (AF-008) since 24 December at 22.30 UTC. The call sign commemorates the 60th anniversary of the first amateur radio activity from Crozet, conducted by Roger Baudelot, FB8WW (December 1961-February 1962). For the time being, Thierry operates FT8 and some CW on 30 and 20 metres. On FT8 he uses 250 watts and MSHV, which enables him to make three QSOs in parallel using the regular FT8 protocol (not F/H). According to the latest upload to Club Log, he has made 7344 QSOs with 4746 unique call signs until 04.56 UTC on 30 December. See <http://crozet2022.r-e-f.org/news.html> for the latest information from the island. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via F6EXV (direct and bureau).

WORLDWIDE HOLYLAND DX CONTEST (WWHC) ---> Effective with the 2023 edition, on the occasion of the 75th anniversary since the foundation of the Israel Amateur Radio Club and the establishment of the State of Israel, the traditional Holyland Contest will become the Worldwide Holyland DX Contest: any station anywhere can work any other station for points; contacts with 4X/4Z stations will attract more points. The contest will take place on 14-15 April, from 21.00 UTC on Saturday until 20.59 UTC on Sunday (24 hours). The rules are on <https://www.iarc.org/iarc/Content/docs/Holyland2023eng.pdf>.

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 ***** QSL ROUTES *****
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3C3CA	TA2OM	EH7JCB	EA7KET	OF9X	OH2BH
3V8CB	LX1NO	EL2DT	N2OO	OK4WFF/p	OK2APY
3W9Z	EA5ZD	ES5TTT	N4GNR	OZ50DDXG	OZ1ACB
4U1A	UA3DX	EX0DX	HB9DUR	PA100THALES	PB2X
4X8XMAS	4X6ZM	FG8OJ	M0OXO	PA50PKZ	PA2PKZ
4X9XMAS	4X6ZM	FK8GU	EA5GL	PC44FF	PH0NO
4Z8NER	4X6ZM	FK8HA	K3IRV	PI75LIM	PE1NCP
5B4AMX	LZ3SM	FK8HM	F5MFV	PJ2MAN	EC5AHA
5Z4BU	EA5GL	FM5BH	W3HNC	R2023NY	RQ7L
5Z4PA	M0URX	FM8QR	F5EAN	S21RC	EB7DX
5Z4VJ	M0URX	FT8WW	F6EXV	SD7M/6	DF9TM
6Y5HM	EA5GL	HC1HC	NE8Z	SD7W/6	DL2SWW
8P6ET	KU9C	HG3IPA	HA3JB	SP90ENG	SP3PDO
9J2BS	EA5GL	HH2JR	W3HNC	SP90ENIGMA	SP3PGR
9K2KO	EC6DX	HI8D	NK4Q	SU9VB	UA4WHX
9K2OD	EC6DX	HP1EUA	VA2EU	TM2LD	F4GQQ
9K2OW	EC6DX	HP1KZ	EA7FTR	TM3QK	F5FAB
9K2YD	EC6DX	HP2DFA	EC6DX	TM50ARML	F4ILK
9V1YC	W5UE	HP3AK	K4PWS	UE23NY	RQ7L
A41NN	A61BK	HS0ZIQ	ZB2JK	UP0L	DL8KAC
A43QAT	EC6DX	HZ1CY	A61BK	V31MA	M0OXO
A450RS	EC6DX	HZ1TT	A61BK	V51LZ	EA5GL
A60ES	EA7FTR	J38TB	M0MDS	VK8NSB	M0URX
A60QATAR/11	EA7FTR	J73ESL	EA5GL	VK9WX	M0OXO
A60QATAR/14	LZ1YE	J79WTA	HB9MFM	VP8ADR	M0OXO
A92AA	EC6DX	JD1BMH	JD1BMH [b]	VP8AWU	K4MZU
AP2FLY	IK2DUW	JD1BMH	JG7PSJ [d]	XE1XR	EA5GL
C37AC	EA3QS	JY5HX	E73Y	YB0AR	EB7DX
CE3QY	M0OXO	JY5MM	IK2DUW	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
CP6CL	M0OXO	KT3Q	DF8DX	YP9XMAS	YO9RIJ
CX1RL	EA5KB	LX4HNY	LX1JH	YS1RR	W3HNC
CX2DK	EA5GL	LY22XMAS	LY2QT	ZF1EJ	K6AM
CX4DI	EA5GL	LZ01MLN	LZ1PM	ZP9MCE	EA5ZD
DP1POL	DL1ZBO	NP2AR	EB7DX	ZS1OPB	N4GNR
DU1IST	JA1HGY	OA6AMN	EA5ZD	ZS4JAN	EA5GL
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